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CONSERVATION OF WILD SPECIES OF FLORA AND FAUNA, ACTIVITY
H, DEVELOPMENT AND EXCHANGE OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND
PUBLIC INFORMATION 02.05-1108.

REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO DR. V. V.
KRINITSKY, U.S.S.R. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, WITH COPIES
TO KAZAKOV, HYDROMET, YURI ZARAHOVICH, PRESS ADVISOR, U.S.
EMBASSY AND MR. GIL HOLLWAY, PRESS AND CULTURAL, U.S.
EMBASSY.

1. DEAR DR. KRINITSKY: THE POSSIBILITY OF A SOVIET
WRITER PREPARING AN ARTICLE FOR PUBLICATION IN A U.S.
CHILDREN'S MAGAZINE, "RANGER RICK", PUBLISHED BY THE
NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION WAS DISCUSSED DURING OUR
RECENT VISIT IN MOSCOW AND BY MISS SCRIBINE, MR.

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ZARAKHOVICH, AND MR. HOLLWAY WITH THE STAFF OF THE

MAGAZINES "VOKRUG SVETA" AND "YUNI NATURALIST".

2. MISS SRIABINE HAS MET WITH THE EDITORIAL STAFF OF "RANGER RICK" IN WASHINGTON. "RANGER RICK", A MONTHLY MAGAZINE, HAS PERIODIC 'SPECIAL ISSUES' DEDICATED TO THE WILDLIFE OF A SPECIFIC COUNTRY. IN THE PAST, AUSTRALIA

AND JAPAN HAVE BEEN COVERED. THE EDITORIAL STAFF OF "RANGER RICK" WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF DEVOTING AN ENTIRE 'SPECIAL ISSUE' TO THE WILDLIFE OF THE SOVIET UNION. THIS MAGAZINE WOULD BE PUBLISHED SOMETIME NEXT YEAR AND WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE IN U.S. SCHOOLS AS A TEACHING AID. WRITING WOULD BE DONE BY SOVIET CHILDREN'S WILDLIFE WRITERS, WHILE TRANSLATION WOULD BE DONE BY U.S. SIDE. PRIOR TO PUBLICATION, MANUSCRIPTS WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR EDITORIAL REVISION BY SOVIET SIDE IN ENGLISH VERSION. WOULD SUCH AN ISSUE BE FEASIBLE OR OF INTEREST TO SOVIET SIDE?

3. BEFORE DISCUSSIONS OF THE EXACT CONTENT CAN BEGIN, EDITORIAL STAFF OF "RANGER RICK" REQUESTS SOVIET SIDE SEND SAMPLE ORIGINAL COLOR TRANSPARENCY PHOTOGRAPHS TO MISS SRIABINE, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, INTERIOR. PHOTOGRAPHS ARE NEEDED TO DETERMINE POSSIBILITY OF PRINTING IN U.S. MAGAZINE AND WILL BE RETURNED A WEEK AFTER RECEIPT.

4. IN GENERAL, "RANGER RICK" WOULD BE INTERESTED IN: ARTICLES ON A SOVIET BIRD OR FAMILY OF BIRDS, UNIQUE SPECIES IN THE WORLD OF REPTILES, AMPHIBIANS OR INSECTS, ENDANGERED SPECIES, MARINE LIFE, FOLK TALES ABOUT ANIMALS, PROBLEMS OF POLLUTION AND WHAT IS BEING DONE TO OVERCOME THEM, LIFE OF CHILDREN IN NATURAL SETTINGS (THE LIFE OF A YOUNG SOVIET REINDEER HERDER).

5. "RANGER RICK" IS PUBLISHED BY FOSSET PRINTING COMPANY, WHICH ALSO PUBLISHES SOVIET LIFE.

6. PLEASE CABLE REPLY AND PHOTOGRAPHS AT EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. SINCERELY YOURS, E. B. BAYSINGER. KISSINGER
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